

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable consideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-71 are presently pending in this application, Claims 12-71 having been withdrawn from further consideration by the Examiner, Claims 1, 6 and 8 having been amended by the present supplemental amendment.

Assuming that all claim amendments presented in the response filed on November 23 have been entered, this supplemental amendment further amend Claim 1 to remove the “second solder resist layer” and Claims 6 and 8 in accordance with the amendment to Claim 1.

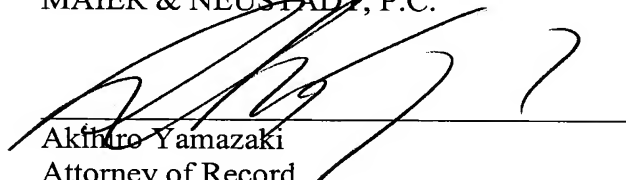
This supplemental amended incorporates the remarks of the response filed on November 23 except the claim language and arguments pertaining the “second solder resist layer.” Thus, it is respectfully submitted that none of Takeuchi et al., Kanber, Lee et al. and Stone teaches or suggests “an optical path for transmitting optical signal to or from the optical element and penetrating through the insulating substrate, first built-up structure, second built-up structure and solder resist layer” as recited in amended Claim 1, and the structure recited in amended Claim 1 is distinguishable from Takeuchi et al., Kanber, Lee et al. and Stone. Furthermore, because none of Takeuchi et al., Kanber, Lee et al. and Stone discloses the optical path as recited in Claim 1, their teachings even in combination are not believed to render the structure recited in Claim 1 obvious.

For the foregoing reasons, Claim 1 is believed to be allowable. Furthermore, since Claims 2-11 depend directly or indirectly from Claim 1, substantially the same arguments set forth above also apply to these dependent claims. Hence, Claims 2-11 are believed to be allowable as well.

In view of the present Supplemental Amendment and the Amendment filed November 24, 2008, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance, and an early action favorable to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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